

Science and engineering profile: Kentucky

| Characteristic | State | U.S. total | Rank |
|--|--------|------------|------|
| Employed SEH doctorate holders, 2006 | 4,960 | 620,140 | 31 |
| S&E doctorates awarded, 2007 | 267 | 31,801 | 31 |
| Life sciences (%) | 31 | 26 | – |
| Engineering (%) | 21 | 24 | – |
| Psychology (%) | 14 | 10 | – |
| SEH postdoctorates in doctorate-granting institutions, 2006 | 486 | 49,201 | 25 |
| SEH graduate students in doctorate-granting institutions, 2006 | 4,925 | 542,073 | 31 |
| Population, 2008 (thousands) | 4,269 | 308,014 | 26 |
| Civilian labor force, 2008 (thousands) | 2,043 | 155,366 | 26 |
| Personal income per capita, 2007 (dollars) | 30,824 | 38,615 | 46 |
| Federal spending | | | |
| Total expenditures, 2007 (\$millions) | 35,927 | 2,532,073 | 26 |
| R&D obligations, 2006 (\$millions) | 239 | 107,545 | 40 |
| Total R&D performance, 2006 (\$millions) | 1,342 | 335,377 | 35 |
| Industry R&D, 2006 (\$millions) | 839 | 243,853 | 33 |
| Academic R&D, 2007 (\$millions) | 503 | 49,406 | 29 |
| Life sciences (%) | 73 | 60 | – |
| Engineering (%) | 13 | 15 | – |
| Physical sciences (%) | 4 | 8 | – |
| SBIR awards, 2000–07 | 100 | 44,157 | 45 |
| Utility patents issued to state residents, 2008 | 413 | 77,493 | 32 |
| Gross domestic product, 2007 (\$billions) | 154 | 13,832 | 27 |

– = no value possible.

S&E = science and engineering; SEH = science, engineering, and health; SBIR = small business innovation research.

NOTES: Rankings and totals are based on data for the 50 states, District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. Rankings are based on unrounded totals; they do not account for margin of error of estimates from sample surveys. Employed SEH doctorate holders include only recipients of U.S. doctoral degrees. State estimates for employed SEH doctorate holders may have large sampling errors because the source for these data, the Survey of Doctorate Recipients, was not designed to provide a sample for estimates at the state level; these data are classified by the state where the doctorate holder resides, if known; otherwise, data are classified by employer's location.

Federal obligations for research and development, by agency and performer: Kentucky, FY 2006 (Thousands of dollars)

| Agency | Performer | | | | | | Rank |
|---|-----------|--------------------|------------|------------------|---------------------------|------------------|------|
| | Total | Federal intramural | All FFRDCs | Industrial firms | Universities and colleges | Other nonprofits | |
| All agencies | 239,141 | 18,127 | 0 | 32,911 | 184,855 | 2,309 | 40 |
| Department of Agriculture | 16,309 | 2,968 | 0 | 0 | 13,341 | 0 | 39 |
| Department of Commerce | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | – |
| Department of Defense | 47,679 | 14,154 | 0 | 25,872 | 6,882 | 771 | 40 |
| Department of Energy | 4,831 | 0 | 0 | 517 | 4,025 | 289 | 43 |
| Department of Health and Human Services | 143,992 | 0 | 0 | 5,208 | 137,244 | 1,249 | 30 |
| Department of Homeland Security | 2,366 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 2,362 | 0 | 28 |
| Department of the Interior | 1,098 | 1,005 | 0 | 0 | 93 | 0 | 49 |
| Department of Transportation | 370 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 44 |
| Environmental Protection Agency | 221 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 221 | 0 | 41 |
| National Aeronautics and Space Administration | 4,996 | 0 | 0 | 1,210 | 3,783 | 0 | 43 |
| National Science Foundation | 17,279 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 16,904 | 0 | 40 |
| Rank | 40 | 45 | – | 43 | 29 | 47 | – |

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FFRDC = federally funded research and development center.

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